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Attorney General John Ashcroft

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Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

It is high time for this antitrust suit between Microsoft and the Department of Justice to come to an end. For three years now, people in both the IT industry and many average people who depend on Microsoft products, have waited for this case to be settled.

Unfortunately seeing this case put to rest could mean a severe change in the way Microsoft does business. Opening up its code to the competition and allowing computer manufacturers broader freedoms in how they configure Windows will mean a serious loss of control over its product for Microsoft, and they will have to carefully rethink their business strategy.

But they obviously feel capable of doing so if they have agreed to the settlement, so I can see no reason

not to move forward on this issue. Let's put an end to this case at the federal level and move on once and for all.

Sincerely,

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